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SUBJECT: OBASANJO VISITS THE CAMEROONS

1. LT. GENERAL OLUSEGUN OBASANJO, NIGERIAN HEAD OF STATE MADE A THREE-DAY VISIT TO GAROUA, CAMEROONS AUGUST 7-10 FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT AHIDJO. BOTH MEA CONTACTS AND THE PRESS CONFIRM THAT ONE OF MAJOR PURPOSES OF VISIT WAS TO DISCUSS MUTUAL BORDER PROBLEMS. OBASANJO'S PARTY INCULDED THE COMMISSIONER OF MINES AND POWER, THE COMMISSIONER FOR PETROLEUM RESOURCES AND THE GOVERNORS OF CROSS RIVER AND GONGOLA STATES, WHICH BORDER ON THE CAMEROONS.

2. MEA CONTACTS ALSO CONFIRM THAT THE TWO CHIEFS OF STATE DISCUSSED "INTER-AFRICAN PROBLEMS." THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE AT THE END OF THE VISIT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED ECOWAS, THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND INTER-AFRICAN DISPUTES. WE BELIEVE THAT NIGERIA'S DESIRE FOR A SECURITY COUNCIL SEAT
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WAS ALSO DISCUSSED.

3. WITH HIS TRIP TO NIGER, OBASANJO COMPLETES A SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH ALL BORDER STATES OVER THE LAST YEAR. WE SUSPECT THAT HE MAY TRAVEL FURTHER AFIELD IN AFRICA IN THE NEAR FUTURE BEFORE MAKING LONGER JOURNEYS TO THE U.S. OR EUROPE.

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